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Grand Prairie, Texas, Businessman Pleads Guilty to Federal Tax Charges

Richard B. Roper, United States Attorney for the Northern District of Texas, announced that Lacedric Deshawn Williams pled guilty this morning in federal court to two counts of a federal indictment charging him with aiding and assisting in the preparation and presentation of a false and fraudulent income tax return. Williams, who entered his guilty plea before the Honorable Sidney A. Fitzwater, United States District Judge, faces a maximum statutory sentence of six years imprisonment, a \$500,000 fine and restitution. Sentencing has been set for July 22, 2005.

According to the Factual Résumé filed in court, Lacedric Deshawn Williams did business as Lincoln Principal Financial Services, a tax preparation service located at 801 W. Freeway Road in Grand Prairie, Texas. Williams admitted that on April15, 2002, he prepared and caused to be mailed and filed for a taxpayer a U.S. Individual Income Tax Return Form 1040 which reported \$10,500 in false medical and dental expenses and \$11,450 in false charitable donations. Williams admitted he filled in the amounts on the form without asking the taxpayer what his true medical and dental expenses were. That same day, Williams prepared and filed another Form 1040 for another taxpayer in which he falsely and fraudulently reported \$15,400 in medical and dental expenses and \$11,474 in charitable donations. Again, Williams filled in the amounts without asking the taxpayer about his medical and dental expenses.

The case was investigated by Internal Revenue Service - Criminal Investigation and prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Joseph M. Revesz.